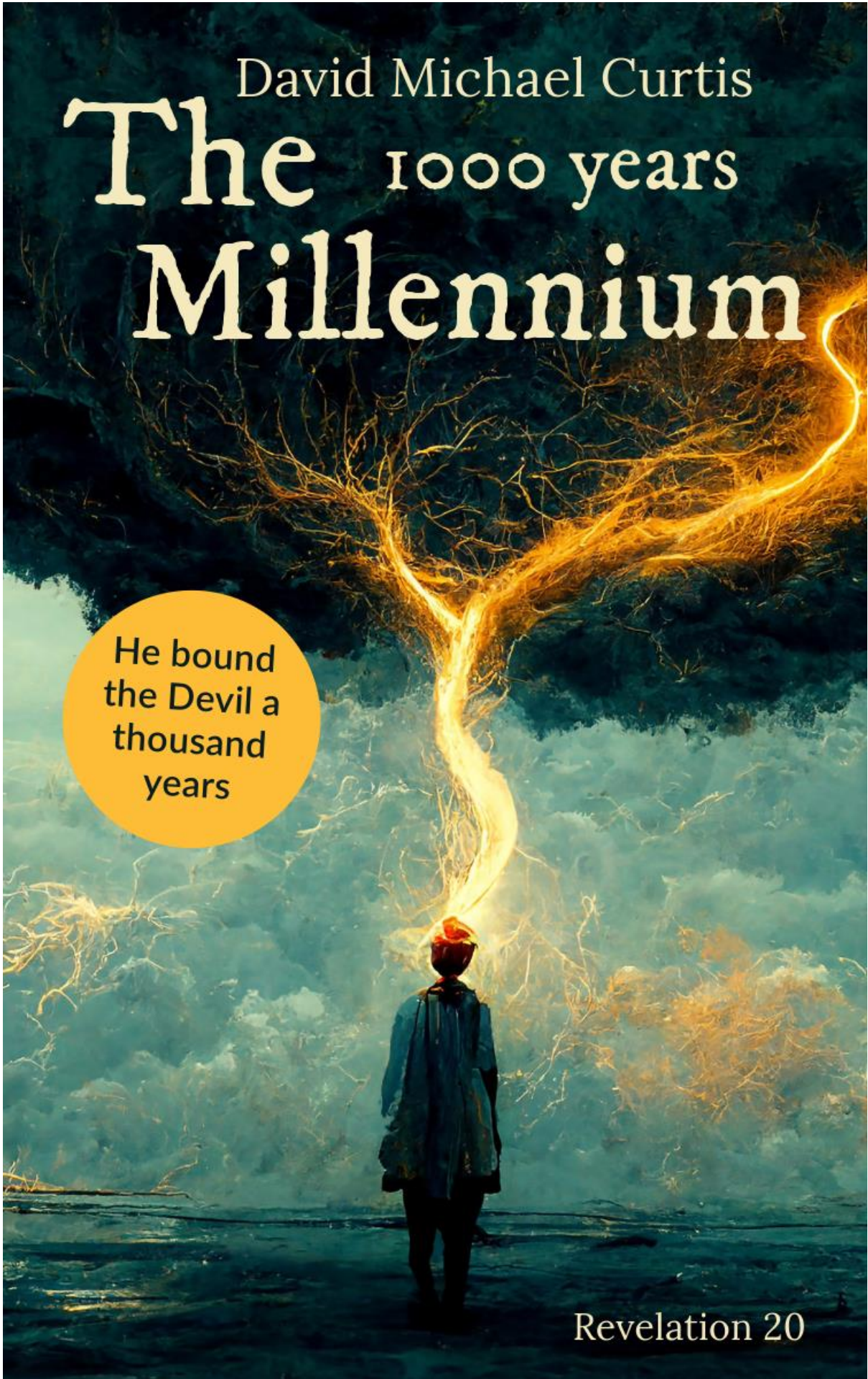




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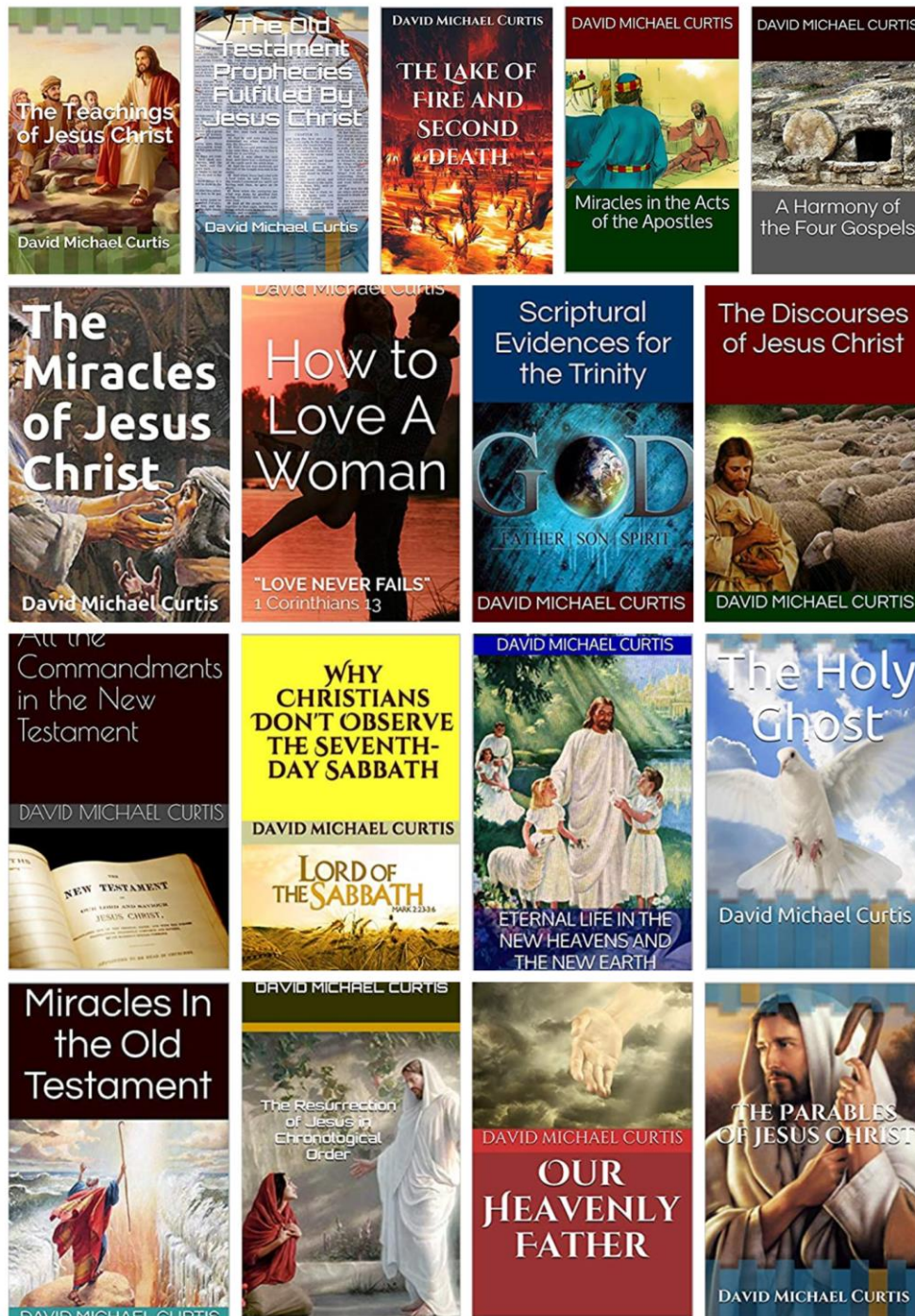
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“The Millennium:” How It All Ends. The Last Day on Earth.

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All the Wicked Are ‘Left Behind’ as Corpses (Dead) During the Millennium. All the Saints are taken to Heaven for 1000 Years. Judgment day is after the 1000 years.

One day, Moses hid himself in the cleft of the rock. The Lord passed by. And declared himself that he was merciful. Today, I want to share with you a message I call “by the Breath of his mouth.” This is a dreadful message. It's not pleasant. This is a terrible message. But I want to start by reminding the reader of when Moses was in the cleft of the rock. And the Lord passed by. And declared that he was merciful. His mercy is our hope in the face of this dreadful message. Let us take comfort in the fact that His mercy is our refuge, even in the face of such a dreadful prophecy. His mercy is a constant, a rock in the storm of these prophesied events.

Let us begin this message by standing between two pivotal moments. The first is 33AD, the year of Christ's death, burial, and resurrection, and all the promises that were fulfilled. The second is an unknown future point in time, the second coming of Jesus Christ. This event is not a matter of 'if 'but 'when '.

Right now, we stand between these two points. At the second coming, scripture tells us that God is coming with all the angels—with a shout. Today's message is called “By the Breath of his mouth.” That's the event that we're talking about—the shout. And it's a terrible message—a dreadful message—a message that when that shout happens, it will not only shake the earth but also shake the heavens.

It is going to cause every island to flee. By the greatest earthquake that has ever happened. If you can imagine the whole Earth and the heavens around the earth-shaking. This is not caused by plate tectonics. When that event happens, the righteous will have already been changed. They will be like the angels, and they will be lifted to meet the Lord in the air. So, this shaking won't shake the Saints because they'll be in the air. They won't be on the ground. When the earth shakes, they will be safe among the other angels in the clouds with the Lord.

But everyone who has not been changed at this time will be destroyed by the brightness of his coming and by the breath of his mouth. This is the transformative power of the second coming, a beacon of hope and inspiration for all believers, a promise of a glorious future. But for those who have not been transformed, this will be a moment of destruction brought about by the radiance of his arrival and the power of his word. Today, I bring a solemn message, a message of dread and terror for those who dwell on this Earth: the return of Jesus is a blessed hope for the Saints but a dreadful terror for the enemies of Christ.

Every one of us is going to be resurrected after we die, whether you believe it or not, whether you want it or not. We're all going to be resurrected at one point or another. We will either be resurrected to life or be resurrected to face judgment, punishment, and wrath.

Revelation 19:15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

Today, I want to share with you the sequence of events that are going to happen. Jesus comes with this sharp, two-edged sword, with which he smites the nations and rules them with a rod of iron.

There is a large class of people who believe in something called the millennial reign of Christ. They believe that Christ will set up his Kingdom on Earth and reign on Earth for 1000 years and that the Saints will reign with Christ on Earth over the nations during those 1000 years.

Christ's reign doesn't happen on earth during the 1000 years. It happens in heaven, during the 1000 years. When he rules with a rod of iron over the nations, this is a time when the nations are reduced to dust and ashes. The wicked are slain. They are dead. They are bodies. They are corpses during the millennium. They are not alive. The Bible tells us that they are resurrected at the end of the thousand years to face judgment, to be cast alive into the lake of fire, and to be destroyed with the devil and the fallen angels.

The Bible tells us that the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were over. My message is dreadful. It's terrible. You're not going to like this message. But for the Saints, I want you to live between these two points, point A and point B. **Point A is 33 AD.** When Jesus died on the cross, he was buried, resurrected, and ascended to heaven, and now we are waiting for **point B, the second coming**, of which we have mighty promises of God.

If you live between these two points. If you live within the cleft of the rock. Then you're at peace with God. You've been reconciled with God, and God declares that he is merciful. So, all those are inside the cleft of this rock. Between point A and point B, the promises surrounding the second coming of Christ, and those promises include justification, sanctification, perfection, and righteousness. And the promise that Christ is able to present us to himself without blame, unrepachable, without blemish.

Christ is able to start and finish what he started. If you're inside the cleft of the rock, if you are trusting in the blood of Jesus that was shed on Calvary to justify you and to present, you as just at the second coming. He will do it, but if you're not dwelling between this point A and this point B, the 33 AD events of Christ and the returning of Christ, events in faith, and the promises of God.

If you're outside of the cleft of the rock. If you're outside the shelter that Christ provides, this message is dreadful. Terrible. Let's move on to Revelation 19:21, when the whole world is slain. With the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth, and the fowls were filled with their flesh. The fowls. It is a symbolic language. That is referring to the demons, the fallen angels. That was cast out of heaven with Satan. How do I know that? Because the literal birds and Jeremiah fled. These birds are symbolic of demons. And they feed on the bodies of those that were slain at the second coming of Jesus. I have more important things for you to hear than the millennial reign being in heaven during the 1000 years. Don't let that hang up in your mind. And cause you not to finish this message. Continue.

Isaiah 11:3-4 And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

This is referring to Christ. "He will delight in the fear of the LORD. He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes, or decide by what he hears with his ears; but with righteousness he will judge the needy, with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth. He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth; with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked." (Isaiah 11:3-4 NIV).

Time and time again, when we compare the scripture about the breadth of his mouth at the second coming. It is a terrible judgment upon this earth. The wicked, who are not raised to meet the Lord in the air, are slain. They are destroyed by the breath of his mouth, by the brightness of his coming. The wicked are left corpses. They are left bodies. They are left dead. This earth is a graveyard.

At Jesus's second coming, the only ones who are alive and remain are the saints, who are raised from the dead and transformed and changed. The wicked are slain. You asked for evidence about this at his second coming. Let's hear it from our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Matthew 24:27-28 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so, shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For wheresoever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

Once again, we have these birds. Gathering together, and what are they gathering together over? Corpses. Carcasses. Let's compare this to the parallel passage.

Luke 17:34-37 I tell you, in that night there shall be two *men* in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. Two *women* shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two *men* shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. And they answered and said unto him, Where, Lord? And he said unto them, Wheresoever the body *is*, thither will the eagles be gathered together.

So, what are the conditions of those that are left? They are carcasses. They are bodies. They are slain, they are destroyed. And the birds, the fowls, the eagles are gathered together over their corpses. Just how serious? Is this? Is this a localized event?

Jeremiah 25:30-33 Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them, **The LORD shall roar from on high, and utter his voice from his holy habitation;** he shall mightily roar upon his habitation; **he shall give a shout,** as they that tread *the grapes*, against all the inhabitants of the earth. **A noise shall come even to the ends of the earth;** for the LORD hath a controversy with the nations, he will plead with all flesh; he will give them *that are* wicked to the sword, saith the LORD. Thus, saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth. **And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.**

Now, in 1 Thessalonians 4, Paul describes the event that the Lord himself shall come with a shout—with a trumpet. Listen, this is the event.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive *and* remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. **For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout,** with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

The Bible says the slain of the Lord. It shall be from one end of the earth and even to the other end of the Earth. They shall not be lamented, not gathered, not buried. They shall be dung upon the ground. Why? Because there's nobody left alive to bury them. Everyone left on this earth is dead. That's why the millennial reign on Earth is impossible.

Jesus said at his second coming, one would be taken, and one would be left. Those that are left are like Sodom and Gomorrah. And are like the world during the time of the flood. Those that were left were destroyed by the flood or were destroyed by fire and brimstone in the city of Sodom and Gomorrah. Then Jesus tells us, remember Lot's wife. She looked back. She was turned into a pillar of salt. And on that day. One is going to be taken, one is going to be left, and it's going to come on a day when you don't expect it.

The Lord is going to come as a thief in the night. In an hour, you don't expect it, so let's consider those who are experts in eschatology and end-time events. It's going to come in an hour that you don't expect. If you have a road map of end-time events. You think you know exactly what's going to happen between now and the second coming. I guarantee you are wrong. I don't care what view of eschatological events you have; you're wrong. It's going to come in a day that you don't know. There's going to be two in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left.

Jesus said there was a parable of wheat and tares. An enemy sowed the tares. And his servant said, shall we separate them? He said, No. Let them both grow together until the harvest. At the harvest, at the second coming, men will stand side by side with those who are lost. The wheat and the tares will be standing side by side. Why? Because it happens on the day that you don't expect it to happen. Like a thief in the night. Two in the field, two in the bed, one taken, one left.

And what is the condition of those that are left? They are left carcasses. They are left corpses. They are left slain. They're just bodies. And the Eagles will be gathered together. And in that day, there's going to be a loud noise, a great shout. And by the breath of the Lord. The slain will be destroyed from one end of Earth to the other end of the Earth, and they will not be lamented nor buried. They're going to be like dung on the face of the earth.

Revelation 18:2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.

The only ones that have any life left in them are the devil and his fowls, his eagles, which are his demons. And the devil will be chained to the bottomless pit for 1000 years to the abyss. In Romans 10:7, who will descend into the abyss, the deep? It's called the Deep in King James. But it's the same word as the abyss. And then, he defines the abyss. He says that is to go into death; **the abyss is death**. This planet will be dead. Destroyed full of dead people.

The Angel of the Lord chained the devil for 1000 years—because he is no longer able to tempt anybody. He is trapped on a planet full of corpses and bodies, which has been shaken and destroyed by the second coming of Jesus Christ. Meanwhile, the saints receive the promise of Christ.

John 14:1-3 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; **that where I am, there ye may be also**.

John 14. It's a favorite. Isn't it? One of your favorites? He said I go to prepare a place for you. That is where I go; that after I return, you may also go there. Jesus ascended to heaven in 33 AD, and he promised the Saints that one day, we're going to go to where he is right now. I go to prepare a place for you that where I am there, ye may be also.

Christ is from heaven. He descended to this earth. He became a man. He was conceived of as a virgin, and after his resurrection, he ascended and went back to heaven. Heaven is a real place. That's where Jesus is right now. This is where all the angels are right now. They're in a place called heaven. And Jesus said I am going there to prepare a place for you that where I am there, ye may also be. This is why we have to meet the Lord up in the air.

We're going to be united with the Angels. Those that are dead, those that are alive and remain both Jews and Gentiles, both Old Testament Saints and New Testament Saints, together rise and meet the Lord in the air, and we are changed into heavenly bodies like the Angels, and we join the Angels. We become one. One big happy family. Old Testament Saints. Israel, New Testament Saints, Gentiles all together, the dead, the living, we are all changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, and we meet the Lord up in the air, and we are united as one big happy family, with the angels.

Then Jesus takes us to where he's been the last 2000 years. It's John, 14. He doesn't lift us in the air to turn around and come right back to the earth. That doesn't make any sense. He lifts us in there because he's going to take us to where he has been for the last 2000 years. Meanwhile, here on Earth, everybody on Earth is dead. Corpses slain from one end of the earth to the other, destroyed by the breath of the Lord. I think we should go on. Let's read some more.

Revelation 20:5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection.

This is the first resurrection. When the Saints are raised at the second coming, that's the first resurrection. The 2nd resurrection doesn't happen till the end of the thousand years.

For 1000 years, this Earth has been an abyss—a place of death. The earthquake utterly destroys it. By the ravishes of the wrath of God that were on this earth through the breath of his mouth at the second coming.

Jeremiah 13:12-15 Therefore thou shalt speak unto them this word; Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Every bottle shall be filled with wine: and they shall say unto thee, Do we not certainly know that every bottle shall be filled with wine? Then shalt thou say unto them, Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will fill all the inhabitants of this land, even the kings that sit upon David's throne, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, with drunkenness. And I will dash them one against another, even the fathers and the sons together, saith the LORD: I will not pity, nor spare, nor have mercy, but destroy them. Hear ye, and give ear; be not proud: for the LORD hath spoken.

Listen, Saints. Everywhere you turn, there are pastors, ministers, and YouTubers, those on TikTok instructing you in the word of God, bickering and debating, having strife, and exposing the doctrinal errors of the other. The Lord tells us that at the end of time, the Lord himself is going to send a strong delusion to the church.

One of the things that is a sign that the second coming could happen at any time is all the confusion and division that exists within Christianity. The state of Babylon within the church. Of confusion. In the Old Testament, there's this scene where the Lord is about to destroy Ahab. And he asks the host of the Angels which one of you has a plan to help me destroy Ahab. And then a lying spirit says, I will lie to Ahab. And God tells that lying spirit go. The lying spirit goes to Ahab, and he is told that he's going to be victorious. He's going to conquer. He's going to be just fine. It was a lie. He was destroyed. He died in the battle.

This is a type of what is going to happen to the wicked. God will send forth lying spirits, devils teaching doctrines of devils. And there will be many, many people who are going to be deceived by a strong delusion of a lie. Those who are lost at the second coming are under a state of delusion. They believe they're going to win the day.

At the second coming, they are shocked and horrified that the second coming is already here. He's raised the dead; he's raised the Saints, and now they're looking around, and they're still planted feet on the ground. They realize that they are going to be destroyed by the wrath of the lamb, and they cry out for the rocks and the mountains to fall on them and hide them from the face of the lamb and the wrath of God. Just before this, they had a strong delusion. That they were going to win the day.

Listen carefully. Do we not certainly know that every bottle shall be filled with wine? Listen. This is prophetic language. God is going to cause the church to be drunk with this wine. Then shalt thou say unto them, thus sayeth the Lord. Behold, I will fill all the inhabitants of this land, if in the kings that sit upon David's throne, and the priests and the prophets and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, that's the entire Church.

From top to bottom. He's going to fill all the church, from the highest leaders, from the priests, from the prophets to just the laymen, just the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the common everyday people. He's going to fill everyone with this wine. It says with drunkenness. The Lord does this. The Lord will send a strong delusion of a lie. Listen. And I will dash them one against the other. Even the father and the sons together, saith the Lord. I will not pity, nor spare, nor have mercy, but destroy them. Hear ye and give ear. Be not proud, for the Lord hath spoken.

I want you to remember the cleft of the rock. You could turn to the Lord today, and you can go to the cleft of the rock. The Lord is merciful. You have to go there through Christ. There's no other way than through what he accomplished in 33 AD on the cross through his death, burial, and resurrection, and his promises to present you faultless, unblameable, and unrepensible at the second coming. This is the work of Christ. Christ saves you from the beginning to the end. He is the alpha and the Omega. He is the Author and finisher of our Faith.

If you want to be saved, you need Christ to do it. There's nothing you can do to merit God's grace. There's nothing you can do to merit salvation. All you can do is listen to the gospel. Go back and read Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. Hear it this time. Believe it. Put your faith and trust in Christ. Call out in the name of the Lord. And he will hear you. He will be merciful to you. You won't be ashamed. Everyone outside of this rock outside of this cleft of this rock is going to receive a strong delusion of a lie.

The Bible tells us there are going to be false Prophets and false Christs. And there are going to be false miracles. There's going to be the preaching of another Jesus. Other gospels. There's going to be confusion. There's going to be wine that causes Israel to be drunk. From the highest positions of power and authority in the church to the lowest inhabitants, the layman, everywhere you turn. If you're still planted on this earth. That's going to be the condition. They'll be in a condition where they are convinced you're going to win the day. Let's go on and let's listen to the apostle Paul,

2 Thessalonians 2:7-12 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth *will let*, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: *Even him*, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Isaiah 34:2-4 For the indignation of the LORD *is* upon all nations, and *his* fury upon all their armies: he hath utterly destroyed them, he hath delivered them to the slaughter. Their slain also shall be cast out, and their stink shall come up out of their carcasses, and the mountains shall be melted with their blood. And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling *fig* from the fig tree.

This is the Prophetic language of the end of the world. Peter refers to this in his epistles. He says that the heavens and the earth will be dissolved. Then we hear about it from the apostle John in the prophetic language during the 6th seal that the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll. This is a last-day event. This is the second coming of Jesus. And once again. This prophet Isaiah confirms what Jesus said. That they're left carcasses, they're left dead. They're left like dung. Stinking up the earth.

Revelation 6:12-17 And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

What is this describing? When the heavens depart like a scroll, this is describing the atmosphere—disappearing. When this Earth loses its atmosphere, there's a big bang, and all the air, all the oxygen that we breathe, and all the water in the oceans, lakes, and rivers all go out into space.

Scientists tell us that if we lose the atmosphere, it will happen with a Big Bang, and it will be like the heavens departing like a scroll. This is what science tells us about when the magnetic field fails and stops protecting us from solar rays. When the magnetic field weakens to a certain point, what happens? There'll be a Big Bang. The atmosphere will part like a scroll, and all the oxygen and all the water in the oceans will go out into space.

And here, we have the same language in the Book of Revelation and the Book of Isaiah. And the kings of the Earth and the great men and the rich men and the chief captains and the mighty men in every bond, men and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and the rocks of the mountains. And said to the mountains and rocks fall on us and hide us from the face of him, that sitteth on the throne. And from the wrath of the lamb for the great day of the wrath has come, who shall be able to stand.

Did you happen to know? The Bible tells us what happens next. The powerful people all go into their bunkers, their military bunkers. Maybe they're a mile into the earth—it doesn't matter. Maybe they feel awfully safe because they're so deep in the earth. They go into the hills and the holes of the mountains, and they cry out for the rocks and mountains to hide them well.

What happens next? The book Jeremiah tells us what happens next. It describes how God will sin, fissures to go, fish them to pull them out of the caves, out of their holes in the rocks, and the mountains to face the second coming of Jesus. The Angels will actually go into these hidden places of the Earth and pull them out, forcing them to stand upon the earth and see the second coming of Christ, to face his wrath.

Revelation 16:12-21 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared. And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs *come* out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, *which* go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed *is* he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon. And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done. And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, *and* so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nation's fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, *every stone* about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

The Bible describes the scene over and over again throughout the Scripture, Old Testament, and New Testament. The Lord himself is going to come with a roar with a shout with a Trump. He's going to raise the dead Saints, and he's going to take Saints that are alive, and together they're going to be changed Like the angels, and then together, they're going to get risen into the air and meet the Lord in the air.

The Lord is going to shake this earth and the heavens with such an earthquake as this world has never seen. Tectonic plates do not cause it. The shout, the roar of Christ, caused this earthquake. He's going to destroy this world with the power of his word, the breath of his mouth.

And the Great City was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nation fell. That's my prediction. One day, all the cities of this world, all the cities of the world, will fall. All will be destroyed. The slain of the Lord will be from one end of heaven to the other, from one end of The Earth to the east, west, and south, and there won't be any safe place. Not even the bunkers that are miles deep into the earth. There will be no safe place.

My prediction is that one day, the atmosphere is going to part like a scroll. There'll be no more oxygen to breathe. There'll be no more oceans. No more rivers, no more lakes. No more water, no more plants. No more harvests. This world will be an Abyss. For 1000 years, we're going to live and reign with Christ in heaven. He's going to unite us with the angels in the air, and then he's going to take us to where he has been for the last 2000 years.

And there the books will be opened. We will be able to investigate the lives of everybody who was left behind throughout history, who was slain by the brightness of his coming. And when we are satisfied at the end of the 1000 years, then we're going to come back to this earth.

On that day, the rest of the dead, the wicked, will be raised to judgment. They'll be raised to condemnation. There will be no second chances. Then, the time of grace and repentance will be past.

Christ gave us everything for salvation. He accomplished it from what he did in 33 AD and his promises that he was going to finish what he started at the second coming by presenting us unto himself unblameable, unprovable by faith in the promise of God, the Covenant of God, in Christ, Jesus saves—those who call out on the name of the Lord and put their faith and trust in Him. No one has any excuse.

The dead are raised at the end of the thousand years, and they face judgment. And condemnation and everlasting punishment. This world is destroyed. Fire comes out from the mouth of God and devours. This world devours those who are outside the city. This is the second death. Then, the Bible describes how God is going to make a new heaven and a new Earth. And finally, this is the great moment when the City of God comes down from God out of heaven. It's in Revelation 21.

And so, for those who believe that Christ and the Saints are going to reign over this earth for 1000 years, and all the wicked are still alive, and we're reigning over the wicked for 1000 years, sorry, that's fiction. The scripture clearly tells us the rest of the dead did not live till the 1000 years were over.

The scripture clearly tells us time and time and time again that the wicked or slain are left corpses. Our bodies stink. They're like dung from one end of the earth to the other, and they're left dead of the 1,000 years that raised condemnation and judgment. And their punishment is everlasting.

The second coming is to bring the Saints together with the angels. So that we can go to where Jesus has been for the last 2000 years, take us to heaven, and then, at the end of the thousand years, heaven will change its location. Heaven comes here to earth. Permanently. The City of God leaves the place we now call heaven and comes to this earth. And after he makes a new heaven and a new Earth, the New Jerusalem comes down from God out of heaven and sits on this earth. Permanently. Forever and ever and ever there'll be a new earth, and this earth will be a paradise. Everything on this new Earth lives forever. Even the worms never die.

Sincerely,

Mr. David Michael Curtis

The Books in Heaven & Judgment Day

Dear friends,

Today, I want to talk with you about the books in heaven and how they relate to judgment day. Attached are topical bible studies that give you every verse in the Bible on these topics, which supports what I will be saying casually in plain language in this letter. I am having a casual talk in this letter and simply putting some important things together in simple terms. If you are looking for evidence, turn to the attachments in this email. You will find everything you need in them.

1. The Book of Life
2. The Book of Good Deeds
3. The Book of Evil Deeds & Sins

THE BOOK OF LIFE

The **Book of Life** was written before God made the world. According to God's foreknowledge, He foreknew everyone who would ever be born on earth. God predestined everyone born on earth to eternal life. God foreknew you and knew you by name. He wrote your name in the **Book of Life** before creation.

- Names are not written in the Book of Life at conversion.
- Names are not written in the Book of Life at baptism.
- NAMES WERE WRITTEN IN THE BOOK OF LIFE BEFORE CREATION.

Names Can Be Removed from the Book of Life.

Most of the names written in the Book of Life are blotted out when that person dies. Why are they blotted out? Names are blotted out because:

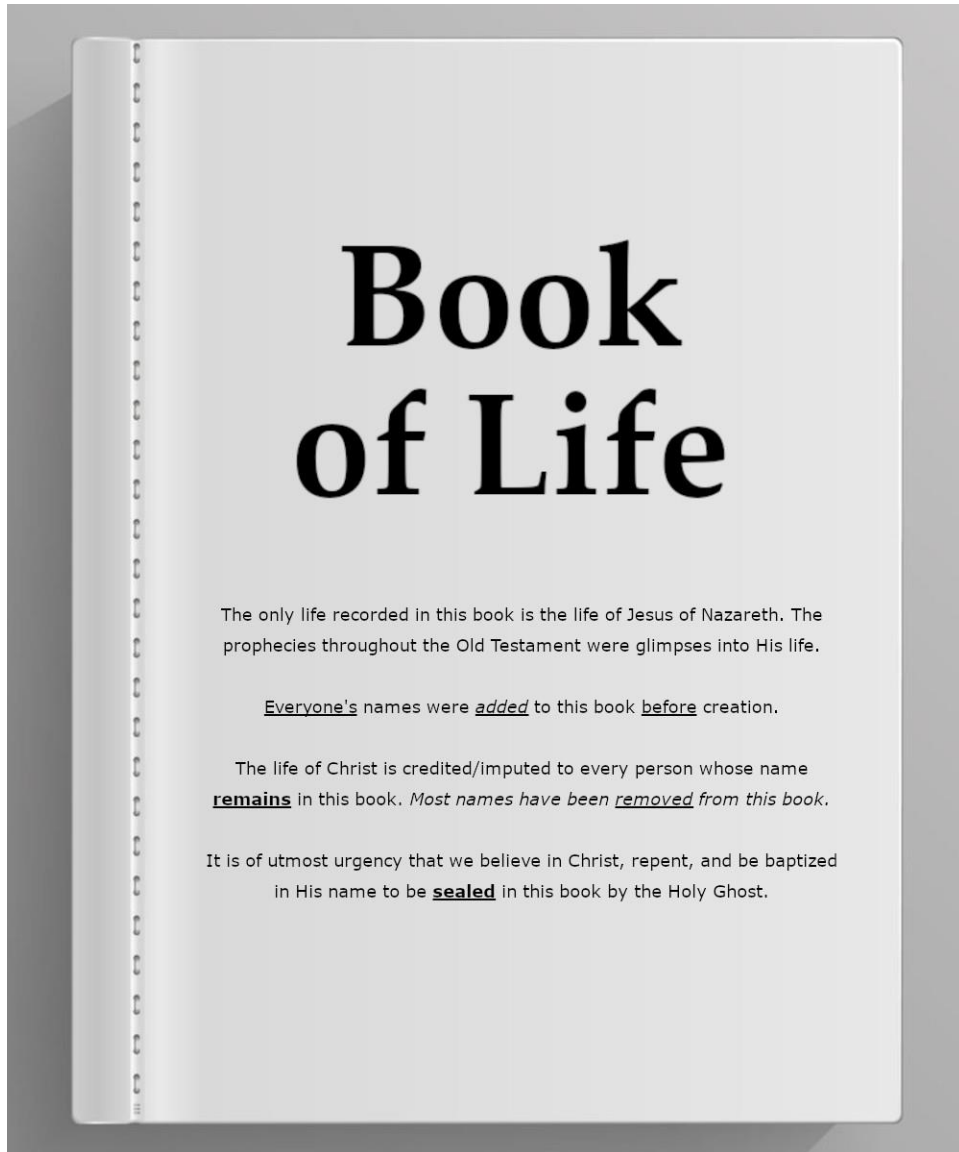
- They didn't repent of their sins,
- They didn't believe in God,
- They didn't believe in Jesus,
- They weren't baptized. Etcetera.

IF YOU LIVE IN YOUR SINS AND DIE IN YOUR SINS:
YOUR NAME WILL BE BLOTTED OUT FROM THE BOOK OF LIFE.

Names Are Sealed in the Book of Life at Baptism by the Holy Ghost.

To have your name sealed in the Book of Life, you must:

1. HAVE FAITH, which means to believe and trust in everything the Bible claims about Jesus.
2. REPENT, turn from your sins, and make a decision to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ,
3. BE BAPTIZED.



THE BOOK OF GOOD DEEDS

Only those whose names are "sealed" in the Book of Life have their good works recorded in the Book of Good Deeds.

Ezekiel 3:20-21; 14:14,20; 18:20,22,24,26; 33:10-20

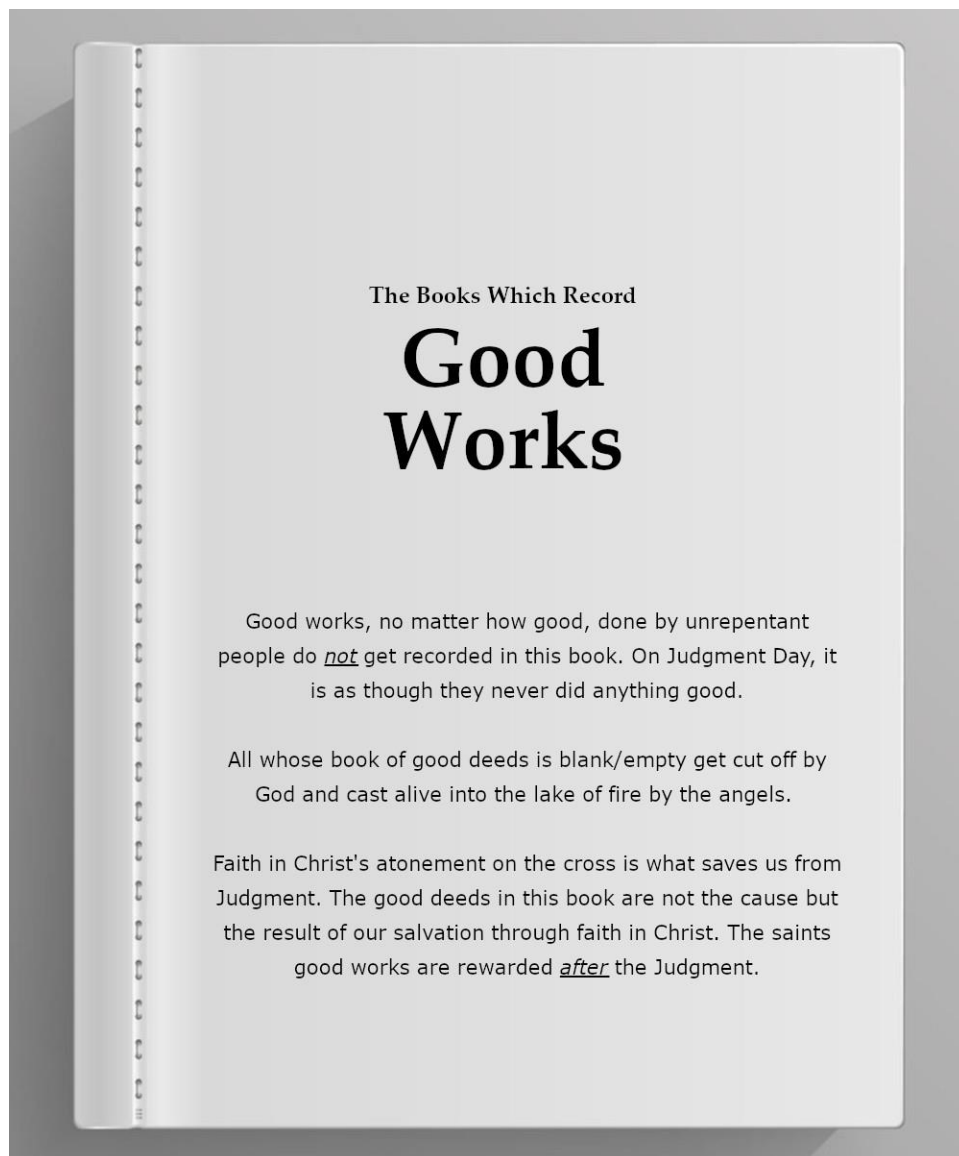
In other words, so long as a person remains unrepentant of their sins and has not been baptized, their book of good deeds remains blank and empty.

That means a person may be a war veteran, may have served in the government, may have been a doctor or a nurse, or may have been a police officer or a member of the SWAT department. However, a lifetime's worth of worthy good works is regarded as filthy rags—worthless—and does not get recorded in the Book of Good Deeds as long as that person remains unconverted.

We are saved by grace through faith, not by works, lest any man should boast. Our righteousness is like filthy rags. The only obedience that makes us righteous is the obedience of Jesus Christ on the cross. We are saved by one man's obedience.

However, once we have **faith in Christ**, **repented of our sins**, been **baptized**, and had our names sealed in the **Book of Life** by the **Holy Ghost**, then and only then do our **good works** begin to get written in the **Book of Good Deeds** in heaven."

It's important to emphasize that salvation comes through faith in Jesus Christ, and our good works are a natural outflow of that faith.

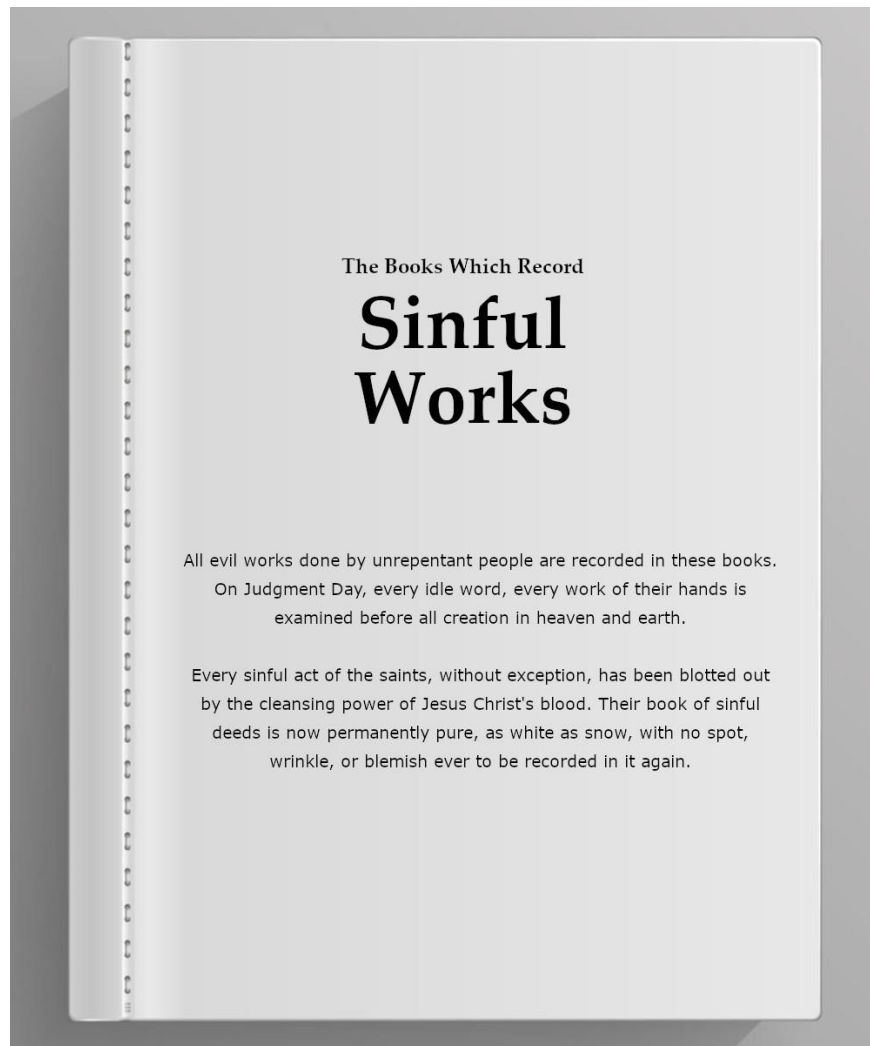


THE BOOK OF EVIL DEEDS & SINS

Immediately, when a person has faith in the gospel, repents, and is baptized, all their sins are blotted out from the books in heaven. Their sins are washed, purged, and forgiven. Though their sins were like scarlet, now they are as white as snow. The believer's book of evil deeds and sins is blank and empty.

Past Sins are Forgiven, and Future Sins are not Imputed (Not Recorded)

Baptism is for the remission of sins, which means your past sins are forgiven. But what about your future sins? God promises not to **impute** sin against you. The word **impute** means to record or keep an account of. This means that God promises not to record your future sins or to keep an account of them. Once your name is sealed in the **Book of Life**, all your sins are forgiven, and God promises not to keep account of your future sins or to record them anywhere.



WE MUST REPENT!!!

The Bible warns that if we continue in sexual immorality, drunkenness, sorcery, witchcraft, etc., we will not inherit the Kingdom of God but will be outside the city on judgment day. You don't want that. You must meet all three conditions of the New Covenant to receive the forgiveness of sins and the gift of eternal life.

To have your name sealed in the Book of Life, you must:

1. HAVE FAITH, which means to believe and trust in everything the Bible claims about Jesus.
2. REPENT, turn from your sins, and make a decision to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ,
3. BE BAPTIZED.

Many people make the mistake of claiming a belief in Jesus while continuing to live in their sins. Jesus spoke about this during the Sermon on the Mount when He said that many would call Him 'Lord, Lord' and mention the beautiful things they did. However, He would respond, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of iniquity.' The bottom line is that true belief in Jesus goes beyond mere intellectual acknowledgment. It requires genuine repentance—a turning away from sin—and a decision to follow His teachings.

Sincerely,

Mr. David Michael Curtis

We Stand on the Brink of Judgment Day (Part 1)

Dear Friends,

Today, we find ourselves on the precipice of Judgment Day, a day when Jesus, radiant as the sun, is encircled by over 10,000,000,000,000,000 angels, each shining brighter than lightning. This is not a distant event but a reality that hovers over us, a reality that cannot be escaped. You will either stand-alone or have embraced Jesus as your advocate, intercessor, mediator, and High Priest. These are the only two paths. But on Judgment Day, it will be too late to choose. Can you sense the gravity of this impending day? It's the awe-inspiring, dreadful, and Great Day of God Almighty.

No one can deliver you out of the wrath of God unless Christ has already done so while you are still alive. Why should I allow you entry into the City of God? Voices from the vast multitude of lost condemned souls begin justifying themselves.

One man attempts to justify himself: "I witnessed the ten plagues in Egypt." Others claim, "I ate manna from heaven for forty years in the wilderness." And yet another, "I drank water from the Rock." Jesus responds, **"Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness and are dead."** John 6:49. Witnessing these Bible stories does not justify you? Only faith in the Lamb of God (Christ's death on the Cross) can save you!

Another attempt to justify himself, saying, "I heard John the Baptist preach beyond the Jordan." Jesus responds, **"For John came unto you in the way of righteousness, and ye believed him not: but the publicans and the harlots believed him: and ye, when ye had seen it, repented not afterward, that ye might believe him."** Matthew 21:32. Belief and repentance are what truly matter.

Another justifies himself, saying, "I saw Jesus heal leprosy." Another, "I saw Jesus heal the blind, deaf, and dumb." And another, "I heard Jesus preach the sermon on the mount." Jesus responds, **"Woe unto thee, Chorazin! Woe unto thee, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes."** Matthew 11:21.

Another justifies himself: "I ate the bread that Jesus multiplied when he fed the 5000." Another, "I ate the bread that Jesus multiplied when he fed the 4000." An angel reads from the Gospel of John in response, **"But there are some of you that believe not. For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were that believed not, and who would betray him. And he said, Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father. From that time, many of his disciples went back and walked no more with him."** The angel finishes by saying, "Our records show that you were among those who turned back and walked no more with him."

Dear friends, according to the teachings of Jesus Christ himself, most of those who witnessed the stories in the Bible and who were there when the events happened will be condemned on Judgment Day. In other words, seeing or reading about historical events in the Bible is not enough to save you. Jesus will say to many, **“Why didn’t you believe me?”** and **“Why didn’t you repent of your sins and get baptized?”**

Many will justify themselves by saying, “Lord, you know my heart, that I am a good person,” “I went to college, and I earned a degree,” “I served in the military,” “I was faithful to my wife,” “I put my children through college,” “I was a civil servant,” “I was a hero, I was a S.W.A.T. team member,” “I was a Doctor,” “I was a Nurse,” “I was a Fireman.” “I never went to prison,” “I paid my taxes,” “I obeyed my government.” The list of works men trust in to save them will be enumerated in a very long list of “I, I, I.”

Many Roman Catholics will respond, “I went to Mass,” “I confessed my sins to the Priest,” “I prayed to Mary,” and “I trusted in the Pope that he was Pontifex Maximus, my High Priest.” The list of works Roman Catholics trust to save them will be enumerated in a very long list of “I, I, I.”

Many Baptists will respond, “I went to a Billy Graham crusade,” “I came down at the altar call,” I repeated the words of the ‘sinner’s prayer,’” “I was told that I was saved,” I was told I cannot lose my salvation, not even by committing adultery or fornication.”

Many Calvinists will respond, “I was taught that I was elect by God's divine decree and that nothing could reverse God’s decree, not even adultery or fornication.”

Many Pentecostals will respond, “I spoke in tongues,” “I was slain in the spirit,” “I experienced or witnessed miracles,” and “I sung countless and very long worship songs. I wept while I sang them. I know what I felt was real.”

Many Seventh-day Adventists will respond, “I rested from my labors every seventh day,” “I tithed,” “I was a vegan,” and “I strictly obeyed everything in the ‘Spirit of Prophecy’ (Ellen G. White’s writings),” “I spread the Three Angels Messages, and rejoiced every time someone accepted ‘the Sabbath truth.’”

The Pharisee will respond, **“God, I thank you, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.” Luke 18:9-12**

And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, **“God be merciful to me a sinner.” Luke 18:13**

“I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for everyone that exalts himself shall be abased; and he that humbles himself shall be exalted.” Luke 18:14

The Hebrews ate miracle bread that came down from heaven and are dead. Thousands witnessed the miracles performed by Jesus Christ and will be condemned on Judgment Day. 5000 and then 4000 ate miracle bread multiplied by Jesus Christ and distributed by the hands of the twelve apostles that will be condemned on Judgment Day.

There are over one billion Roman Catholics alive today who believe that the bread placed on their tongue by a Catholic Priest is miraculous and will save them, despite Jesus warning that eating miracle bread didn’t save a single person in the Bible.

Judas was among the eleven Apostles during the FIRST Lord's Supper. Judas ate bread and wine at the hand of Jesus himself, but that bread and wine did not save Judas.

What other examples should we include in this letter?

Many will justify themselves by saying, "I had a near-death experience and saw a light." "My grandmother experienced some kind of miracle." "Such and such a story happened, and I trusted this meant I had God's favor."

Most will seek to justify themselves on Judgment Day with one excuse or another. Most of these excuses will be religious, such as that they regularly performed some religious ritual or that their minister or priest taught this false doctrine or that false doctrine and that they trusted in them.

The saints do not come to judgment and never have to justify themselves. What is the saint's secret? It is no secret at all. **They believed the gospel (the story of Jesus) and confessed they were sinners. They confessed faith in Christ's name, repented of their sins, and got baptized. In other words, they believed THE ONLY THING THAT ATONED FOR THEIR SINS WAS JESUS'S DEATH ON THE CROSS.** They did not trust any of their good works to save them. They only trusted in Jesus Christ.

Sincerely,

David Michael Curtis

We Stand on the Brink of Judgment Day (Part 2)

Dear friends,

Yesterday, I introduced how many of those present to witness the stories in the Bible will be judged, condemned, and cast alive in the lake of fire on the Great Day of God Almighty. My purpose in showing the similarities in those who witnessed these stories, alongside the religious excuses people will offer up on Judgment Day, is to bring glory to Jesus one sacrifice on the Cross. We will continue along that theme in today's letter.

The 'Great Day of God Almighty' is not a possibility but an inevitable future event over which the only Son of God, Jesus Christ, will be its Judge and Executioner.

As devoted as Jesus was to obey His Father's will when He went to the Cross, He will hold His course with the same impartiality when fulfilling His Father's will during the judgment phase of the condemned. Jesus will not be swayed by anyone's excuses or claims of being a good person.

Most imagine a 'Personal Jesus' who 'gets me' and 'knows my heart.' Such people have utterly and wholly ignored who Jesus is in the Holy Bible. There will not be billions of different 'Personal Jesus' on Judgment Day, only the one Real Jesus we read about in the Holy Bible. All the 'other Jesus' are delusional fantasies, imaginary, not real. The billions of condemned lost people on Judgment Day will all be Judged by the same teachings given by Jesus. The saints, too, all had the same teachings Jesus gave in the same way. God is fair; everyone has the same opportunity; however, not everyone accepts it.

Here is the sum: believe the Gospel, repent, be baptized, and you will live. You will perish if you don't repent and die in your sins, regardless of how strongly you believe otherwise and regardless of how religious you are.

All the religious systems within Christianity offer 'another way,' a way for you to gain eternal life without repenting. That is what it all boils down to. *These religious systems help you have something else to offer besides the one sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. Like Cain's sacrifice of vegetables, these other offerings will all be rejected.*

Why faith alone? Jesus made one sacrifice on the cross. Which means you can only hear about it. Jesus' death on the Cross cannot be repeated. Again, you can only hear the gospel, this story, how Jesus predicted his death, knew it was coming, willingly waited in the Garden for Judas to betray Him, and all the rest we read about in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. **Jesus' sacrifice happened once.** You must let this fact sink into your heart to understand why **salvation is by faith alone.**

Next, the Bible plainly says, "For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life." **Romans 5:10.** I need you to focus and understand this point.

- You are either reconciled to God, or you are not.
- You are either at peace with God, or you are not.
- You are justified, sanctified, washed, cleansed, purged, or not.

Religious systems either:

- Require you to work towards these goals, or
- Some systematic religious rituals (Sabbath keeping, the Mass, etc.) are required to retain the things mentioned above. In other words, without your repeated performance of a religious ritual, you lose everything and will be damned. Or
- Condone unrepentant sin and give false assurance of salvation.

This past week, we spent much time talking about Martin Luther vs. Ellen G. White. If you can look past any offended sensibilities for a moment, I will help you understand why the things we discuss matter.

- We were reconciled to God by Jesus' one sacrifice on the Cross (Romans 5:10)
- We have been sanctified once forever by Jesus' one sacrifice on the Cross (Hebrews 10:10).

These two points are sufficient to make this next point. Again:

- You are either reconciled to God, or you are not.
- You are either at peace with God, or you are not.
- You are justified, sanctified, washed, cleansed, purged, or not.

Ellen's gospel plainly states that no one could receive the atonement until after 1844. In her writings, she states that the SDA is not sanctified or saved; they are on probation and must have their law-keeping examined and compared to the Ten Commandments during an investigative judgment. This is another gospel.

Through Jesus' one sacrifice on the Cross, we have the atonement now (Romans 5:11). Again, look at the preceding verse. "For if, **when we were enemies**, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life." **Romans 5:10**. We were reconciled to God when we were enemies and could not pass any investigative judgment. During a time, we were condemned and lost and had no hope.

Notice that "we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son"; we were not 80% reconciled to God by the one sacrifice of His Son, but 100%, which is why any other excuse on Judgment Day is rejected.

- "I was a good person, and I went to church, I paid tithe, I kept the Sabbath, "
- "I faithfully went to mass; I was a good Roman Catholic.:
- "I sang powerful worship songs; I spoke in tongues."

The only answer that saves us from being condemned on the Great Day of God Almighty is:

"God loved me, He sent His son, Jesus died for my sins on the Cross."

The Judge asks, "Did this person die in his sin (continue living in sin)?"

The angel responds, "his sins were washed away by the blood of Jesus," He repented! He was baptized for the remission of his sins." All the angels in Heaven rejoice over one sinner who repents.

Sincerely,

David Michael Curtis

We Stand on the Brink of Judgment Day (Part 3)

Dear friends,

"Will the Circle Be Unbroken?" is a traditional American folk hymn rooted in gospel and country music. It explores themes of faith, family, loss, and the afterlife. The song asks whether the family circle, broken by death, will be reunited in heaven.

The phrase itself can have multiple meanings depending on the context:

- **Religious:** In the context of the hymn, it refers to the hope of a heavenly reunion with loved ones after death, where the family circle will be restored and unbroken.
- **Family:** More broadly, it can symbolize the enduring bonds of family and the hope that these connections will remain strong despite challenges or separations.
- **Community:** It can also represent the strength and resilience of a community, particularly in the face of adversity.

Will all three of Noah's sons be saved?

Let us examine this question and become aware of Noah, his wife, his three sons, and their wives. These eight people were the only ones saved during the flood.

Ham was cursed by Noah. Ham's descendants founded Egypt, Babylon, and the Assyrians; Ham's descendants created paganism, and it's their story (Nimrod, Semiramis, and Tamuz) that all idolatry is based on. Will all three of Noah's sons be saved? Ultimately, God will answer this question, but it seems unlikely.

Will Lot's two daughters be saved?

Let us examine this question and remember Lot and his two daughters. These three people were the only ones saved from the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah.

Lot's two daughters, intoxicated and incestual, raped their father and became mothers of two of the most significant idolatrous nations and enemies of Israel. Will Lot's two daughters be saved? Ultimately, God will answer this question, but it seems unlikely.

Will all the Hebrew slaves redeemed from Egypt be saved?

The Bible is clear about this: All the Hebrews over the age of 20 died in the wilderness under a curse pronounced by God because of their unbelief and rebellion. Only Joshua and Caleb witnessed the ten plagues in Egypt and all the miracles during Moses's time, and were permitted to cross Jordan and enter the promised land. Jesus spoke of the Hebrews who ate the manna that came down from heaven for forty years but are dead. BTW, Caleb married the harlot Rahab (from the Walls of Jericho story) and is an ancestor to Jesus Christ. Rahab is included in the 'faith chapter' (Hebrews 11).

Will everyone born to the twelve tribes of Israel be saved?

The apostle Paul is clear: Only those who believed God's promise to send the Messiah to die as the Lamb of God for the sins of the world are Israel.

What are some questions we asked in the last few days?

- Will everyone who heard the Sermon on the Mount be saved?
- Will everyone who witnessed the miracles of Christ be saved?

What are other important questions we can ask?

- Will everyone who witnessed Jesus being crucified be saved?
- Will everyone who witnessed Jesus' resurrection be saved?

Many of those who witnessed Christ being crucified denied he was the King of the Jews and mocked and beat him. All who deny Christ will be denied by Christ before the angels in heaven. Peter denied Christ. However, Peter repented. Many of those who may have denied Christ on the day he was crucified may have been among those who repented and were baptized on the Day of Pentecost in Acts 2.

The Bible's transparency is why we can trust its testimony to be true. One example is: "And when they saw him, they worshipped him: **but some doubted**." Matthew 28:17. Paul testified that 500 saw Christ after his resurrection. Follow what happened.

During his appearances after his resurrection, Christ commanded everyone present to return to Jerusalem and wait for the gift of the Holy Spirit. On the Day of Pentecost, there were only 120 people in the upper room. This means that from the 500 who saw him after the resurrection, 320 were among those who "**doubted**" in Matthew 28:17. I will explain why they doubted what they saw with their own eyes, but first, let's tie down the main point. Only some people who witnessed Jesus alive after the resurrection will be saved.

The critical point to the parable of the "rich man and Lazarus" is:

Luke 16:31 And he said unto him, **If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.**

Question. How did the Pharisees react when Lazarus was raised from the dead John 11?

Answer. The Pharisees sought reasons and opportunities to put Jesus to death.

Although this is sufficient reason to explain why 320 witnesses to the resurrection "doubted," I do not want you to fall for foolish questions that lead to doubt over this issue, so I will further explain what happened.

Jesus' death was brutal; his face and body were grossly deformed. After his resurrection, he appeared perfectly sound and healthy in mind and body, with the holes in his side and hands the only wounds still on his body. What Paul calls "the carnal mind" could not comprehend or make any sense of what their eyes were seeing. How could a man be as brutally killed as Christ was and, within days, look even better than he did during the three years they knew him?

Let's revisit a question we asked the other day.

Will everyone who witnessed the miracles of Christ be saved?

No! Jesus makes this clear. Jesus testified that most who saw his miracles did not believe in Him.

Why ask all these questions?

We are delving into the meaning of '**faith alone**' and what "**imputed righteousness**" means. So, let's continue delving deeper into these questions.

- Are there any eyewitnesses to the death of Christ who believed he died on a Cross that will be condemned on Judgment Day? Obviously yes!
- Is viewing Mel Gibson's film, "Passion of the Christ," watching a reenactment of Jesus being brutally killed on a Cross enough to save its audience? Obviously not!
- Is binge-watching every season of "The Chosen" enough to save you? Obviously not!

*Let's ask a few **offensive** questions before we end this letter.*

- Does the Virgin Mary save you? Obviously not!
- Does speaking in Tongues save you? Obviously not!
- Does keeping holy days save you? Obviously not!
- Does a vegan diet save you? Obviously not!

Why not? These issues are totally and utterly irrelevant. They are distractions. The magician's trick is to divert your attention away from what is happening. Millions of people are focusing on Mary, holy days, vegan/vegetarian diets, rosary beads, whether we have free will, and an endless list of other irrelevant things that are vain, unprofitable, and a complete waste of time.

The Holy Bible focuses on who Jesus Christ is (God's only begotten son), what his sacrifice on the Cross means, and what he has accomplished by shedding his blood once at 3 PM on April 1, 33 AD.

- "We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Romans 5:1
- "We were reconciled to God by the death of his Son." Romans 5:10
- "Ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus." 1 Corinthians 6:11
- "When he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high." Hebrews 1:3
- "We are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all." Hebrews 10:10
- "By one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified." Hebrews 10:14
- "The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." 1 John 1:7

***Acts 28:24.** "And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not."*

Jesus told the sick he healed, "**Your sins are forgiven.**" Do you believe in Him? The Bible says you are forgiven through Jesus' one sacrifice on the Cross; what does the gospel require of you? Not holy days, venerating Mary, or vegan diets... **Believe the good news, repent of your sins, and get baptized.**

Will the Circle Be Unbroken?

Matthew 10:34-38 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. And a man's foes *shall be* they of his own household. He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me.

The belief that Jesus's death on the Cross alone made the atonement divides everyone into two camps on the Great Day of God Almighty. The warning: If we trust in our righteousness, the law will shut our mouths on Judgment Day and prove us guilty. The good news is that if we believe the gospel, repent, and get baptized, Jesus Christ's blood will cleanse us from all sins, and His righteousness will clothe us like a robe.

Even if the cross costs every relationship, "I have decided to follow Jesus, no turning back." "I will cling to the Old Rugged Cross until I can exchange it for a crown." Why? Because "Jesus Paid it all." So, I will continue to trust in "Nothing but the blood of Jesus." to save me. Because "I would Rather have Jesus." Can I get an Amen?

Sincerely,

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Topical Bible Studies

What event begins this 1,000-year period?

Revelation 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and / saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived [the resurrection] and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

(For more on the subject of death, see [Death—Immortal Souls?](#))

Answer: A resurrection begins the 1,000-year period.

What is this resurrection called?

Who will be raised in it?

“Revelation 20:5-6 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection. Blessed and holy *is* he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

Answer: “Blessed and holy”

Where are the “Blessed and holy” saints during the 1000 years?

John 14:1-3 ¶ Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if **I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.**

Answer: The “Blessed and holy” saints will live and reign for 1000 years *where* Jesus is *right now*, which is in heaven.

The Bible says there are two resurrections...

When is the second resurrection? What is it called? Who will be raised in it?

Revelation 20:5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection.

They that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation

John 5:28-29 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and **they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.**

What other momentous events take place when the 1,000 years begin?

He cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him

Revelation 1:7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

The Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

There was a great earthquake

Revelation 6:12-13 And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

Revelation 16:18 And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, *and* so great.

A great hail out of heaven

Revelation 16:21 And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, *every stone* about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

Scholars' estimates of the weight of a talent vary from 58 to 100 pounds!

The heavens were fled.

Revelation 6:14 And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

Jeremiah 4:23-26 I beheld the earth, and, lo, *it was* without form, and void; and the heavens, and they *had* no light. I beheld the mountains, and, lo, they trembled, and all the hills moved lightly. I beheld, and, lo, *there was* no man, and all the birds of **the heavens were fled**. I beheld, and, lo, the fruitful place *was* a wilderness, and all the cities thereof were broken down at the presence of the LORD, *and* by his fierce anger.

The kings go into the clefts of the rocks.

Isaiah 2:21 To go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

Revelation 6:15-17 And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

The LORD maketh the earth empty.

Isaiah 24:1 ¶ Behold, the LORD maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof.

Isaiah 24:3 The land shall be utterly emptied, and utterly spoiled: for the LORD hath spoken this word.

The living wicked will be slain by the brightness of Jesus' second coming.

(See [the second coming of Christ](#).)

What happens to the unsaved—living and dead—at Jesus' second coming?

With the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked

Isaiah 11:4 But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

In flaming fire taking vengeance on them

2 Thessalonians 1:7-8 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

The wicked perish at the presence of God

Psalms 68:2 As smoke is driven away, so drive *them* away: as wax melteth before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

The wicked are slain and remain dead

until the thousand years were finished

Revelation 20:5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

The righteous will be in heaven with Jesus during the 1,000 years.

As It Was In The Days Of Noah

Luke 17:26-27. And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all.

Note. Noah and his family were taken, and were saved, those that were left behind, were destroyed.

As It Was In The Days Of Lot

Luke 17:28-29. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed *them* all.

Note. Lot and his daughters were taken, and were saved, those that were left behind in Sodom, were destroyed.

Remember Lot's Wife

Luke 17:31-32. In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back. Remember Lot's wife.

Note. Lot and his daughters were taken, and were saved, Lot's wife looked back, and was left behind, she was destroyed—turned into a pillar of salt.

Second Note. The second coming may be an event that lasts weeks. We will explore why this may be true shortly. In such a case, this admonition is relevant because there would be time enough to return for your material possessions. However, those who return will share in the fate of Lot's wife and perish.

Two, One Taken, One Left Behind

Luke 17:33-37. Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it. I tell you, in that night there shall be two *men* in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. Two *women* shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two *men* shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. And they answered and said unto him, Where, Lord? And he said unto them, Wheresoever the body *is*, thither will the eagles be gathered together.

Matthew 24:28. For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

At the second coming, those left behind shall be destroyed.

THE WICKED

Scoff At.

2 Peter 3:3-4. Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

Presume Upon The Delay Of.

Matthew 24:48. But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;

Shall Be Surprised By.

Matthew 24:37-39. But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

1 Thessalonians 5:3. For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

2 Peter 3:10. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

Shall Be Punished At.

2 Thessalonians 1:8-9. In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

Will the unsaved have an opportunity to repent during the 1,000 years?

The slain of the LORD, from one end of the earth to the other end of the earth

Jeremiah 25:33 And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from *one* end of the earth even unto the *other* end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.

They shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried

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They shall be dung upon the ground

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Jeremiah 25:35 And the shepherds shall have no way to flee, nor the principal of the flock to escape.

The wicked will lay dead upon the earth during the 1,000 years.

Revelation 22:11, 12 makes it clear that...

The case of every person is closed before Jesus returns.

Revelation 22:11-12 He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still. **And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.**

What is this “bottomless pit?”

The Bible says that Satan will be bound in the “bottomless pit” during the 1,000 years.

Revelation 20:1-3 ¶ And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit (**ábyssos**) and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit (**ábyssos**), and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

Strong's Greek Dictionary 12. ἄβυσσος abyssos (ábyssos)

Abyssos (ábyssos) is death

Romans 10:7 Or, Who shall descend into the deep (**ábyssos**)? (that is, ***to bring up Christ again from the dead.***)

Luke 8:31 And they besought him that he would not command them to go out into the deep (**ábyssos**).

The angel of the bottomless pit

Revelation 9:11 And they had a king over them, *which is* the angel of the bottomless pit (**ábyssos**), whose name in the Hebrew tongue *is* Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath *his* name Apollyon.

The key of the bottomless pit

Revelation 9:1-2 ¶ And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit (**ábyssos**). And he opened the bottomless pit (**ábyssos**); and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.

The keys of hell and of death

Revelation 1:18 ***I am*** he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

The beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit

Revelation 11:7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit (**ábyssos**) shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

Revelation 17:8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit (**ábyssos**), and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

His deadly wound was healed

Revelation 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

Revelation 13:12 And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

The earth was without form, and void during the 1000 years (has no life)

Before creation the earth was without form, and void (had no life)

Genesis 1:2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

During the 1000 years...

The earth will again be without form, and void (have no life)

Jeremiah 4:23 I beheld the earth, and, lo, **it was without form, and void; and the heavens, and they had no light.**

Jeremiah 4:25 I beheld, and, lo, **there was no man**, and all the birds of the heavens were fled.

Jeremiah 4:28 For **this shall the earth mourn, and the heavens above be black:** because I have spoken *it*, I have purposed *it*, and will not repent, neither will I turn back from it.

Isaiah 24:22 And they shall be gathered together, **as prisoners are gathered in the pit, and shall be shut up in the prison, and after many days shall they be visited.**

What is the chain that binds Satan?

Why is he bound?

Revelation 20:1-3 ¶ And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit (**ábyssos**) and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit (**ábyssos**), and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

The earth, in a torn-up, darkened condition, is the “bottomless pit” where Satan will be forced to stay during the 1,000 years.

REVIEW THE EVENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE 1,000 YEARS:

1. A devastating earthquake and hailstorm (Revelation 16:18–21)
2. The second coming of Jesus for His saints (Matthew 24:30, 31)
3. The saved dead raised to life (1 Thessalonians 4:16)
4. The saved given immortality (1 Corinthians 15:51–55)
5. The saved given bodies like Jesus (1 John 3:2; Philippians 3:20, 21)
6. All the righteous caught up into the clouds (1 Thessalonians 4:17)
7. The living wicked slain by the breath of the Lord's mouth (Isaiah 11:4)
8. The unsaved dead remain in their graves until the end of the 1,000 years (Revelation 20:5)
9. Jesus takes the righteous to heaven (John 13:33, 36; 14:2, 3)
10. Satan bound (Revelation 20:1–3)

Judgment *in heaven* during the 1,000 years.

What for? Who will participate?

Revelation 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and *I saw* the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

1 Corinthians 6:2-3 Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters? Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?

REVIEW OF THE EVENTS DURING THE 1,000 YEARS:

1. The earth in a battered condition from huge hailstones and a devastating earthquake (Revelation 16:18–21)
2. The earth in total blackout and desolate, a “bottomless pit” (Jeremiah 4:23, 28)
3. Satan bound and forced to stay on the earth (Revelation 20:1–3)
4. The righteous in heaven participate in the judgment (Revelation 20:4)
5. The wicked are all dead (Jeremiah 4:25; Isaiah 11:4)

At the close of the 1,000 years,

The holy city, New Jerusalem, will come down from heaven to this earth.

Who will come with it? Where will it settle?

Revelation 21:2-3 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God.

Zechariah 14:1 ¶ Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee.

Zechariah 14:4-5 And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which *is* before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, *and there shall be a very great valley*; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south. And **ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains**; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: **and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with thee.**

Zechariah 14:10 All the land shall be turned as a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem: and it shall be lifted up, and inhabited in her place, from Benjamin's gate unto the place of the first gate, unto the corner gate, and *from* the tower of Hananeel unto the king's winepresses.

Matthew 25:31 ¶ *When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:*

Jesus' Three Advents:

1. First coming to Bethlehem in a manger.
2. Second coming in the clouds at the beginning of the 1,000 years to take His people to heaven.
3. Third coming with the holy city and all righteous people at the close of the 1,000 years.

What will happen to the wicked dead next?

How will this affect Satan?

Revelation 20:5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection.

Revelation 20:7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison,

Revelation 20:8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom *is* as the sand of the sea.

What will Satan do then?

Revelation 20:7-10 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom *is* as the sand of the sea. And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet *are*, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

What will interrupt Satan's plan to capture or destroy the city?

Revelation 20:9-11 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet *are*, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever. ¶ And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

Revelation 21:8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

Malachi 4:3 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do *this*, saith the LORD of hosts.

Matthew 25:41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

(For full information on this fire, sometimes called hell, see [Hell—Eternal Fire](#).)

What glorious, thrilling event will take place next?

I create new heavens and a new earth

Isaiah 65:17 ¶ For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.

We look for new heavens and a new earth

2 Peter 3:13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

Behold, I make all things new

Revelation 21:5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

God himself shall be with them, and be their God

Revelation 21:3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God.

They shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away

Isaiah 35:10 And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

REVIEW THE EVENTS AT THE CLOSE OF THE 1,000 YEARS:

1. Third coming of Jesus with His saints (Zechariah 14:5).
2. Holy city settles on the Mount of Olives, which becomes a great plain (Zechariah 14:4, 10).
3. The Father, His angels, and all of the righteous come with Jesus (Revelation 21:1–3; Matthew 25:31; Zechariah 14:5).
4. The wicked dead are raised; Satan is loosed (Revelation 20:5, 7).
5. Satan deceives the entire world (Revelation 20:8).
6. The wicked surround the holy city (Revelation 20:9).
7. The wicked are destroyed by fire (Revelation 20:9).
8. New heavens and earth created (Isaiah 65:17; 2 Peter 3:13; Revelation 21:1).
9. God's people enjoy eternity with God on the new earth (Revelation 21:2–4).

Can we know how soon all these momentous events will take place?

Matthew 24:33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, *even* at the doors.

Luke 21:28 And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.

Romans 9:28 For he will finish the work, and cut *it* short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth.

1 Thessalonians 5:3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

Romans 9:28 For he will finish the work, and cut *it* short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth.

Matthew 24:36 But of that day and hour knoweth no *man*, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

Acts 1:7 And he said unto them, *It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.*

Thought Questions

1. How long will the time period be from the day the holy city descends? until the wicked are destroyed by fire from heaven

The Bible says it will be a “little while” (Revelation 20:3). Enough time will be required for Satan to persuade people to follow his plan and prepare weapons of war. The exact length of time is not revealed in Scripture.

2. What kind of bodies will people have in God’s new kingdom?

The Bible says the redeemed will have bodies like that of Jesus (Philippians 3:20, 21). Jesus had a real body of flesh and bones after His resurrection (Luke 24:36–43). The saved will not be ghosts. They will be real people, just as Adam and Eve had real bodies.

3. Does the Bible say how the lost will react at Jesus’ second coming?

Yes. The Bible says they will cry “to the mountains and rocks, ‘Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?’” (Revelation 6:16, 17). (See also verses 14 and 15.) The righteous, on the other hand, will say, “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for Him; we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation” (Isaiah 25:9).

4. Will the wicked be able to see the people inside the New Jerusalem?

We don’t know with certainty, but the Bible does say the city wall will be the see-through type—clear as crystal (Revelation 21:11, 18). Some believe that Psalm 37:34 and Luke 13:28 suggest the saved and the unsaved will be able to see each other.

5. When will God wipe away all tears from the eyes of His people?

The Bible says God will wipe away all tears from the eyes of His people and that there will be no more death, sorrow, or pain.

From Revelation 21:1–4 and Isaiah 65:17, it appears that this will happen after sin is cleansed from the earth. During the final judgment and destruction of sin by fire, God’s people will have many reasons for deep sorrow. As they realize that relatives and friends are lost and that people they loved are being destroyed in the fire, anguish will doubtless bring tears and heartache to God’s people. But after the fire goes out, the Lord will wipe away their tears. He will then create new heavens and a new earth for His people, which will bring them unspeakable joy and fulfillment. And sorrow, sadness, crying, and heartache will be forever gone. (For more on the heavenly home of God’s people, see [Eternal Life](#).)

6. How will the destruction of wicked angels and people affect God?

Doubtless they will be relieved and overjoyed that the ugly cancer of sin is gone forever and that the universe is forever secure. But just as certain, they will also experience deep sadness over the fact that so many of those they love—and for whom Jesus died—chose to cling to sin and reject salvation. Satan himself was once their friend, and many people in the fire were once their dearly beloved children. It will be like the agony of seeing one of your own errant children killed. Sin has been a crushing load upon both Father and Son since its inception. Their aim has been to love people and gently draw them to salvation. Their feelings are expressed in Hosea 11:8, which says, “How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, Israel? ... My heart churns within Me; My sympathy is stirred.”

7. What kind of body does Jesus have?

He has a body of flesh and bones. After His resurrection, Jesus appeared to His disciples (Luke 24:36–43) and demonstrated that He was flesh and bones by having them feel His body and by eating some fish and honey.

Jesus Ascends

He then walked with them to Bethany and, as He finished conversing with them, ascended to heaven (Luke 24:50, 51). The angel who appeared to the disciples as Jesus ascended explained, “This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven” (Acts 1:11).

This Same Jesus Will Return

The angel’s emphasis was that this same Jesus (of flesh and bones) will come again. He will be real, not ghostly, and the risen saints will have bodies like His (Philippians 3:20, 21; 1 John 3:2). The saints’ new bodies will also be incorruptible and immortal (1 Corinthians 15:51–55).

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